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**ASSETS.**  
Loans, actual cash, \$1,212,680.00  
Real estate notes, 62,865.40  
Insurance and bonds, 15,851.90  
Sundry accounts, 2,574.92  
Real estate, 61,688.92  
Liberty Bonds, 114,453.40  
Special deposits, 76,500.00  
Cash on hand, 33,137.18  
\$1,583,361.70

**LIABILITIES.**  
Installment shares, \$1,206,685.40  
Dividend prepaid shares and dividends, 9,563.05  
Paid up shares, 267,189.77  
Incomplete loans, 24,582.23  
Accounts payable, 2,742.41  
Undivided profits, 70,554.64  
\$1,583,361.70

We hereby certify that we have carefully compared the above statement with the books of the association and find it correct.

C. E. BARBOUR,  
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Executive Committee.

#### NEW U. S. DIRIGIBLE FLIES TO WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, July 12.—Completing a night flight from Akron, O., the new army dirigible A-4 circled Washington this morning and landed at Bolling field. The dirigible left Akron at 10 o'clock last night with a crew of three men. After replenishing its fuel supply, the ship proceeded to Langley field, Hampton Va.

#### HOSPITAL PLANNED FOR JONESBORO BY DOCTORS

JONESBORO, Ark., July 12. (Sp.)—At a meeting of the physicians and a number of business men last night in the interest of the new hospital, the physicians pledged the sum of \$10,000. Much of the stock has been subscribed.

#### MRS. PALMER WANTED.

The home service section of the Memphis Red Cross, 146 Court avenue, desires to locate a Mrs. Palmer, formerly Miss Eva Knight, as it has important information for her. Anyone knowing of her whereabouts will confer a favor to her and to the Red Cross by calling her attention to this notice, or by calling the Red Cross office.

## WILL FORM 2,000 THRIFT SOCIETIES

Government Behind Plan to Stimulate Saving and Investment in Securities.

To revive the habit of thrift, to re-awaken the inclination to save which has either been dormant or at least lessened since the signing of the armistice, the government is organizing 2,000 United States Thrift Stamp societies to be launched in Memphis next Tuesday, July 15, under the leadership of L. W. Hughes, of the National City bank. Twenty-five field representatives of the war loan organization, including many men just out of every branch of the service, will work under the direction of Mr. Hughes, who is field representative for the thrift stamp campaign in West Tennessee.

Silas W. Davis, director of savings of the war loan organization, of the Sixth federal district, and L. L. Boyer, director of sales for the Sixth district, will act in advisory capacity. The organization of the local campaign will include formation of teams to solicit stamp buying in all office buildings, industrial plants and probably the carrying on of a house-to-house canvass as well.

Cards have been issued for the formation of the societies. These will bear the name of the president and secretary of each society. The cards are to be sent to the headquarters of the Sixth federal district at St. Louis and finally are to be placed on file in Washington. The societies are formed for one year and books are provided for the secretary to keep record of the stamps that are purchased.

Jack Carter has been designated leader to enlist the co-operation of four-minute men in the work and revival of their activities in theaters, churches and public gatherings is a feature of the work as tentatively outlined. Slides for theaters are being prepared and other methods of publicity are being devised to bring the minute the campaign formally open.

#### SUGAR SHORTAGE IS THREATENING MEXICO

WASHINGTON, July 12.—Mexico is threatened with a sugar shortage, said official dispatches received here today reporting that the sugar factories in the state of Morelos have been dismantled and the machinery shipped to the United States.

#### C. OF C. INDORSES RETURN OF RAILROADS

The return of the railroads of the United States to corporate ownership was favored by the officers and the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce in recording their vote on the referendum which the Chamber of Commerce of the United States is taking on resolutions pertaining to the future federal railroad policy passed at the last annual convention of the chamber.

#### SALES MEET CLOSES.

The convention of sales representatives of the Stratton-Warren Hardware company, which was held Thursday and Friday, closed Friday evening with a banquet at the Hotel Gaylord. Several talks were made and a musical program was given.

## Represents U. S. At Labor Meet

ETHELBERT STEWART.



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Ethelbert Stewart, director of investigations and inspections of the U. S. labor bureau, has been appointed delegate to London at a conference to plan an international peace labor conference to be held in Washington.

## TEXAS TOWN QUIET AFTER RACE RIOT

Arrival of State Troops Results in Calm Following Gun Battle.

LONGVIEW, Tex., July 12.—The night passed quietly and there were no indications early today of further outbreaks here in connection with yesterday's attacks by negroes upon white residents in which four of the latter suffered gunshot wounds and as a result of which the whites burned five negro residences.

Five negroes are being closely guarded in the Longview jail but the search for the two alleged negro ring-leaders, S. J. Jones and Dr. C. P. Davis still was without success.

More than 100 cavalrymen of the Texas national guard, under command of Brig. Gen. L. H. McCall, are on duty, having come from Dallas, Terrell and Nacogdoches, under orders of Gov. W. F. Hobby. Several Texas rangers are expected to arrive from Austin during the day.

Three airplanes from Love field, Dallas, also are here having arrived late yesterday. Another Love field airplane, forced to land last night at Longview, is expected to reach here today. A fifth plane from Dallas was wrecked late yesterday at Mesquite while en route to Longview.

Capt. Charles Fouchon, who was slightly injured when the machine crashed to earth, came on by train last night.

Jones, one of the negroes sought by the officers, is accused of being the author of an article attacking the character of a young woman of this county published in a negro newspaper in Chicago. The trouble started yesterday when a group of white men searched for Jones, entered the negro section and were fired upon by a large crowd of negroes. Davis, the other missing negro, is believed to have been a leader of the negroes making the attack.

#### BUREAU BRINGS SOUSA.

Mrs. Jason Walker says that it is the Memphis Music bureau and not the Chamber of Commerce which is to bring Sousa's band to Memphis.

## LESSER YIELD DECREASES

Corn Acreage Is Also Short, But Tobacco Yields Shows Big Gains Everywhere.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., July 12. (Sp.)—A still further decline is noted in the condition of Tennessee's wheat crop since June 1, brought about by the continued rains in early June, and the general prevalence of rust in the condition on July 1, as reported by G. L. Morris, field agent, bureau of crop estimates in 15 per cent, such as 4 per cent below the average for the state the past ten years, and would indicate a yield of about 1,500 bushels per acre, as compared with a yield of 1,800 bushels per acre at one time looked promising were wholly abandoned as not worth cutting.

#### Corn Acreage Short.

The corn acreage shows a considerable decline, more considerable in planting time caused a shortage in Middle Tennessee counties and practically all of West Tennessee. In many instances crops have been abandoned or plowed and planted over, making much of the crop late. Conditions in the eastern part of the state, the upper Cumberland counties and a few Middle Tennessee counties are excellent, but on the low lands of the middle part of the state and practically all of the western part the condition is low, making the condition for the state considerably below the ten-year average.

East Tennessee has a slightly increased acreage, with splendid prospects. A slight decline is noted in white potatoes in acreage, while there has been a decided increase in the sweet potato crop; a few of the West Tennessee counties making heavy inroads on the remainder of the state remaining about the same as last year.

#### Tobacco Yield Large.

The acreage of tobacco is increased in all parts of the state, heavily in the western counties, and the burley section, the tobacco of the season has been planted in some extent in the middle of the state. Though much of the crop is late, the condition is fair.

There has been a heavy cut in the acreage of peanuts in the peanut counties—Benton, Deatur, Hickman, Humphreys and Perry—the acreage being only about two-thirds of last year, or about 12,500 acres. Low prices and rains prevented plantings, seed planted in 10,000 acres, but not yet in the ground.

There is but a small per cent of last year's wheat crop in the farmers' hands. The day after yesterday, about some extent by rain beating the plant down and becoming over-ripe.

#### Fruits Also Short.

Apples, peaches, pears and grapes are poor, and will make but sorry yields. The blackberry crop is immense, one of the best on record.

Vegetables and melons are late and conditions rather mild, as in melons, cowpeas and soy beans. Pastures generally fine.

The preliminary estimated acreage of corn, white potatoes, sweet potatoes, tobacco and peanuts for Tennessee, is in the center of the year, and the estimated acreage as follows:

Corn, 94 per cent, 3,290,000 acres; white potatoes, 95 per cent, 47,500 acres; sweet potatoes, 100 per cent, 10,000 acres; tobacco, 138 per cent, 107,350 acres; peanuts, 70 per cent, 12,500 acres. For the United States the estimated yield for 1919 compared with the final estimates for 1918 is as follows:

Corn, 3,210,000 acres, compared with 2,953,314,000 bushels last year; potatoes, 319,000,000 bushels, compared with 306,100,000 bushels last year; tobacco, 1,450,000,000 pounds, compared with 1,240,019,000 pounds; winter wheat, 329,000,000 bushels, compared with 255,449,000 bushels; spring wheat, 1,000,000,000 bushels, compared with 558,651,000 bushels; oats, 1,400,000,000 bushels, compared with 1,338,350,000 bushels; barley, 231,000,000 bushels, compared with 234,375,000 bushels; rye, 103,000,000 bushels, compared with 83,103,000 bushels last year.
The country of the United States, as reported on July 1, for Tennessee, is as follows: Corn, 83 per cent; potatoes, 85 per cent; white potatoes, 90 per cent; oats, 90 per cent; winter wheat, 78 per cent; spring wheat, 90 per cent; barley, 91 per cent; rye, 90 per cent; clover, 90 per cent; field peas, 88 per cent; tomatoes, 88 per cent; cabbage, 88 per cent; onions, 88 per cent; pumpkins, 88 per cent; grapes, 85 per cent; pears, 28 per cent; blackberries, 110 per cent; watermelons, 94 per cent; muskmelons, 80 per cent; field beans, 88 per cent; sorghum for syrup, 45 per cent; sorghum for feed, 45 per cent.

#### MILLINGTON PIKE TO BE BEST EVER

Contract for the building of the proposed state highway that is to be built between Memphis and Millington to the second street road will be let within the next month, the county commissioners say.

This is to be one of the finest cross-country thoroughfares in the state and will cost approximately \$300,000. The road will have a three-lane highway, top like the road to the Country club, but the pike will be much finer than the one running to the Country club.

The cost of the highway will be prorated between the federal government and the state on one side and the county on the other, the former paying two-thirds of the cost and the county one-third. It will be constructed under the supervision of the state highway department.

#### FUNERAL SERVICES HELD FOR FAMOUS AUTHOR

BRISTOL, Tenn., July 12. (Sp.)—Funeral services for John Fox, Jr., famous author and novelist, were held Tuesday at his home at Big Stone Gap, Va., near where he died Friday at the Christian church at Paris, Ky.

#### DUTCH VOTE IN FAVOR OF BALLOT FOR WOMEN

AMSTERDAM, July 12.—The first chamber of Dutch parliament has adopted, 34 to 5, a motion to introduce woman suffrage in Holland.

#### O. K. HOUCK HONORED.

The Chamber of Commerce executive committee bestowed upon O. K. Houck honorary membership for life at the meeting of the committee Friday afternoon, recognizing his genial disposition, his splendid philanthropy and his work in the public interest.

## BROUGH ALONE FAVORS SUFFRAGE AMENDMENT

BATON ROUGE, La., July 12.—Gov. Brough, of Arkansas, was the only executive in six Southern states who favored ratification of the Anthony suffrage amendment in replies received here to the telegram sent by Gov. Pleasant, of Louisiana, urging opposition to the amendment because of the negro question. Of the six states heard from four are against the amendment, Gov. Roberts, of Tennessee, was non-committal.

Georgia has already rejected the amendment, a prediction of Gov. Dorsey in his reply. The stand of the Louisiana governor, Ruffin O. Pleasant, was known when he sent out the telegram.

#### YORK AND READ AT CENTENARY

Tennessee War Hero and Ocean Flight Commander Will Get Medals.

COLUMBUS, O., July 12.—Today, the "centenary" exposition at the Methodist temple, which has been in progress since June 20, promises to surpass all others in point of attendance, officials say. Sergeant Alvin C. York, "the greatest hero of the war," and Lieutenant-Commander A. C. Read, of the NC-4, will speak this afternoon.

Sergeant York, accompanied by his brother George, from the World War, Vanderbilt university, and George N. Welch, Tennessee railroad commissioner, will be presented with specially designed gold medals for their achievements. York will be presented with his medal by Dr. Fred H. Taylor, assistant director-general of the exposition. Dr. W. C. Beauchamp, of the Methodist church, will make the presentation to Read.

Centenary officials, while declaring the exposition has been a "glorious success," said today the receipts from attendance would by no means cover expenses. Both Dr. Taylor, York's brother, and George N. Welch, Tennessee railroad commissioner, will be presented with specially designed gold medals for their achievements.

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#### PHONE WORKERS AT CLEVELAND STRIKE

CLEVELAND, July 12.—Telephone service was tied up here when approximately 900 union operators and electrical workers struck at the Cleveland Telephone and Ohio State Telephone companies went on strike at 6 o'clock this morning to protest their demands for union recognition.

#### CAR MEN THREATEN TO STRIKE IN CHICAGO

CHICAGO, July 12.—Heads of the union of surface and elevated railway carmen threatened to strike in Chicago today if their demands for a 10-cent wage increase were not met.

Eighty-five cents an hour is the scale fixed for surface men and 87 cents for elevated men, effective as from June 1, eight-hour day; six-hour day on Sunday and holidays; no overtime pay less than eight hours and 50 per cent of runs to be completed in 10 minutes or less.

Surface car men are at present receiving 45 cents an hour and elevated carmen 50 cents an hour. The union asserted that to meet the demands would necessitate a 10-cent car fare.

#### FIND COLD WEATHER IN FLIGHT OVER FLORIDA

WASHINGTON, July 12.—Temperature five degrees below freezing was encountered, and sunset was observed at 10 p. m., Thursday night over the Gulf of Mexico, when the Curtiss biplane, flown by Lieut. Charles C. Chauncey and Sgt. Thomas Cook, two aviators, was in flight over the Gulf.

#### FLYING OFFICER KILLED DOING STUNTS IN AIR

LAWTON, Okla., July 12.—Lieut. Charles W. Steel, aged 22, of Brownsville, Tex., was instantly killed at a flying circus here when his airplane fell from a low altitude. He was flying alone.

#### FARMERS TO MEET.

HUNTINGTON, Tenn., July 12. (Sp.)—The Carroll county division of the Farmers' Union will hold its annual rally and county meeting at Palmer's shelter, four miles south of Huntington, Friday and Saturday, July 18 and 19. Friday will be devoted to business, but Friday night and Saturday will be given to the public. The program will consist of music, recitations and short talks by local talent, followed by an address by T. D. Dyer, of Humboldt. The forenoon address Saturday will be delivered by State President J. H. Hoffman, and the afternoon one by Capt. Gordon W. Brown, of Huntington, who will speak of his experiences overseas, and what it takes to constitute good citizenship. The meeting will be presided over by J. R. Kenyon, county president, and J. S. Leach, Jr., secretary.

#### TO BOOST FARMING.

JONESBORO, Ark., July 12. (Sp.)—E. R. Lloyd, agriculturist for the Memphis Chamber of Commerce, has been secured to address the business men in this city on July 16 in the interest of a better live stock campaign that is to be put on in this county by County Farm demonstrator W. T. McKell and C. O. Carpenter, farm agent for the Bank of Jonesboro.

#### NOTED TEACHER DIES.

CHICAGO, July 12.—William Morton Payne, teacher, writer and literary critic for the old Chicago Morning News and the Chicago Daily Journal, is dead, aged 61. He was associate editor of the trial for a number of years until recently. He was born in Newburyport, Mass. His translations of French, German, Italian and Scandinavian prose and poetry had earned him an international reputation.

#### NEWPORT WINS GAME.

MARIANNA, Ark., July 12. (Sp.)—A double-header game between Newport and Marianna, Ark., was played today, resulting in a victory for the visitors, 8 to 6 in the first game, and 10 to 1 in favor of the locals the second.

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## COLUMBUS COTTON HANDS WIN WAGES BY STRIKE

COLUMBUS, Miss., July 12. (Sp.)—The strike which forced the Mississippi Cotton mills to close down Monday night, ended yesterday, when President E. M. Shropshire, who was absent when the operatives quit work, returned to the strike and quickly adjusted the matter. While the entire plant was closed down, the strike was confined to operatives in the spinning room, who demanded an increase of 30 per cent in their wages. The demand was not granted, but the strike was not granted, but a compromise was effected whereby an average advance of 12 1/2 per cent was agreed upon. Operatives in the spinning room having had their wages advanced 15 per cent, while those in other departments were raised 10 per cent. The Columbus mills have been in operation more than 30 years, having been established here in 1887, and this was the first time that a strike had forced the plant to close down.

## FIND WOMAN SUICIDE.

LONDON, July 12.—Mrs. Arthur Elliot, who was found shot to death in her home on Wednesday last, committed suicide while of unsound mind. This verdict was reached at the coroner's inquest into her death.

## IRISH FLYING OFFICER KILLED IN AIR TEST

DAYTON, O., July 12.—Lieut. Frank S. Caldwell, 28, of Belfast, Ireland, member of the British royal air force, was killed at McCook field in a 700-foot altitude test. Lieut. Caldwell, who came here to make a series of tests of parachutes used in connection with the British air force, was killed when his parachute failed to open. The test was a low altitude test, and Lieut. Caldwell was flying at a height of 700 feet when he was killed.

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